

**INDIANA COMMISSION ON AGING (COA)
MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 20, 2008**

**INDIANA GOVERNMENT CENTER SOUTH, CONFERENCE ROOMS 4 & 5
402 W. WASHINGTON STREET, INDIANAPOLIS, IN**

COA Members in Attendance: Noble Stallons, Richard (Dick) Grace, Humbert Lopes, Edward (Ed) Gottschling, John (Bob) Johnson, Roxsandra Clemons-McFarthing2

COA Members Absent: Anita McColleston, Geneva Sams, Glen Bonsett

Staff in Attendance: Celeste Stinson, Matt Naikelis, Willie Poindexter

Visitors: Phil Stafford, Michael Sullivan

Call to Order: Chairperson Noble Stallons brought the meeting to order and had the members and audience introduced themselves. A motion was made to approve the minutes and was seconded, with unanimous approval from the Commission.

Alzheimer's Endorsement Statement: Michael Sullivan from the Alzheimer's Association said he recently met with Division of Aging Deputy Director Faith Laird and was informed that the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Senile Dementia Task Force is still in effect, but is not staffed at this time. Michael said that Faith has agreed to take the lead in reconvening the group and making recommendations to the Governor for staffing. Michael said if any Commissioners have names of people to recommend for the Task Force, please send them to Celeste and she will forward to Faith.

The Commissioners voted to accept the revised Alzheimer's Disease Statement with the correction of the last sentence to read: "We applaud the Indiana Division of Aging's willingness to facilitate and administer the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia Disorders Task Force with assistance from the Indiana State Department of Health."

Phil Stafford, Ph.D., from Indiana University gave a presentation on the AdvantAge Initiative survey. Dr. Stafford gave background information on the survey and shared ways the information can be used. The website has additional information on the survey and is located at <http://www.agingindiana.org>.

Public Comments: Commissioner Gottschling discussed House Bill 1001. Chairperson Stallons reminded everyone about the 2-1-1 social services phone number.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn and was seconded, with unanimous approval from the Commissioners.